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1. POST RECOGNIZES VALUE OF BANGUI-BOSSEMBELE HIGHWAY AS IMPORTANT LINK FOR ROAD AND RAIL TRAFFIC FROM AND TO DOUALA AND AS HAVING SIGNIFICANT INTERNAL BENEFITS. WE WOULD CAUTION HOWEVER, THAT CONCERNS STATED PARA 4 REFTEL REMAIN VALID. WE UNDERSTAND THAT MAINTENANCE OF EXISTING HIGHWAYS REMAINS INADEQUATE EXCEPT FOR THE PORTION FROM BANGUI TO BERENGO. WHILE THE CONDITION OF THE BANGUI-M'BAIKI AND THE BANGUI-SIBUT HIGHWAYS ARE GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS GOOD BY AFRICAN STANDARDS, THIS IS MORE A REFLECTION OF THE NEWNESS OF THE FORMER AND MAJOR REPAIRS CARRIED OUT BY A FOREIGN CONTRACTOR IN THE CASE OF THE LATTER. THE PUBLIC WORKS/DIRECTION DE L'ENTRETIEN ROUTIER ET FLUVIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE CONTINUES TO HAVE EQUIPMENT PROBLEMS, E.G. TRUCKS IN DISREPAIR, INADEQUATE SUPPLIES OF EVEN BASIC TOOLS AND INADEQUATELY TRAINED PERSONNEL.

2. THE FOREGOING CAVEAT ASIDE, THE PROJECT IS CLEARLY NEEDED
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AND OF IMMEDIATE IMPORT. THE AFDC SHOULD HAVE ADEQUATE ASSURANCES HOWEVER, THAT PROBLEMS OF THE KIND EXPERIENCED BY THE IDA DURING THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE BANGUI-M'BAIKI HIGHWAY CAN BE AVOIDED.
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